



Human Resources

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REQ. # 05-223

**NOTICE OF JOB OPENING
ST. LUCIE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

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This position must be posted for at least five (5) working days from **09-26-2005** TO **09-30-2005**,
but will remain open until filled.

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION
PARKS & RECREATION - PARKS
POSITION AVAILABLE
SPRAY TECHNICIAN
OF OPENINGS
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STARTING SALARY
\$10.62 / hour
COMMENTS
Newly approved position available October 1, 2005.
VETERANS PREFERENCE
It is the policy of St. Lucie County to give preference to eligible veterans and spouses of veterans in appointment and retention in county employment positions in accordance with Chapter 295, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 22VP-1, Florida Administrative Code. Copies of Chapter 295 and Chapter 22VP-1 are available for review in the Human Resources Department.

JOB CODE 825
PAY GRADE 10
SALARY : \$10.62 - \$15.97
SPRAY TECHNICIAN

MAJOR FUNCTION: Skilled work in the operation of moderately complex spraying equipment. In general, the employee working as a Spray Technician will be responsible for executing programs set up by the Division Manager and/or his designee. Duties also include the performance of manual laboring tasks.

KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS NEEDED TO PERFORM THE ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS OF THE POSITION:

Knowledge: Specific knowledge and experience of the methods, materials and practices used in the control of grass, weeds and trees to maintain right of ways, ditches, easements and canals. Knowledge of the operating characteristics of light and medium public works equipment. Knowledge of the component parts, operating principles and maintenance needs of spraying equipment. Knowledge of traffic laws and other regulations governing the operation of equipment. Understanding the Florida Pesticide Laws and rules. Must know and understand measurements in liquid and granular form.

Ability: Ability to work with others in a team environment. The ability to accept directions and constructive criticism from supervisors. Ability to understand and carry out oral and written instructions. Physical strength and agility sufficient to operate equipment over rough terrain and to perform manual labor occasionally under adverse weather conditions.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTION: Be proficient in use and application of herbicides and chemicals. Operate in safe manner at all times to protect fellow employees, general public and the environment. Responsible for safe storage of all chemicals used. Develop routes and schedules for spraying function. Coordinate with departments to help improve drainage systems and reduce maintenance costs. Operates one or more of the following vehicles or equipment: backpack sprayer, small spray truck and large spray truck. Occasionally operates smaller equipment and other light equipment. Performs manual laboring tasks. Performs related work as required.

ESSENTIAL PHYSICAL SKILLS: Constant walking, standing, use of both hands, fingers and legs, very frequent light lifting (30+ lbs. or less,) frequent heavy lifting (30+ lbs.), very frequent light carrying (30+ lbs. or less,) reaching above shoulders, kneeling, bending and squatting. Good vision and hearing with or without correction.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITION REQUIREMENTS: Constantly working outside under adverse weather conditions of cold, heat, humidity and rain.

WORK HAZARDS: Frequent use of toxic chemicals. Works in public areas under an environment of vehicular traffic or off road in rough terrain. May encounter wild or domestic animals.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT USED OR NEEDED: Chemical resistant boots, chemical work gloves, chemical resistant apron, shield cap, safety vest, safety glasses, uniform, protective suit, MSHA approved respirator. In some cases, back support belt and hard hats. Auto safety belt.

EDUCATION: Graduation or its equivalent from high school or trade school. Maintain CEU credits for Licenses as required by FL DACS. Keep informed on new regulations involving the use of Herbicides and Pesticides.

EXPERIENCE: One year experience in the operation and routing maintenance of the type of equipment of primary assignment. Final decision of appointment to this job will be based on applicant's ability to physically operate, drive and perform the illustrated tasks described herein.

LICENSES, CERTIFICATES OR REGISTRATION: Requires a valid Florida driver's license and a good driving record. Must possess minimum "B" license of tanker endorsement. Maintaining possession of a current and active restricted use pesticide licenses (Right of Way, Ornamental & Turf and Aquatic) from the State of Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

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